

New Shoreham Shoreline Access Working Group
Tuesday, January 20, 2015
Shoreline Access Sites, Black Rock, Cooneymus Road, Southwest Point, West Side Road
12:00 p.m.

Present: Chair Michael Shea, Members: Sven Risom, Gary Ryan, and Marc Tillson. Also present, for the recording of minutes, was Deputy Town Clerk Millie McGinnes. Members Doug Michel and Chris Blane were absent.

Mr. Shea called the meeting to order at 12:12 p.m.

The Shoreline Access Working Group will be conducting a site visit of the following locations:

1. Black Rock, Black Rock Road

It was noted that the access is reached by a private road, currently in poor condition. The beach access path was viewed: steep and eroded. Mr. Risom suggested placing a sign at the area regarding liability.

2. Rodman's Hollow, Off Cooneymus Road

The parking area at Rodman's Hollow was viewed. It was noted there is nice, comprehensive signage at the site. Mr. Shea explained that the Nature Conservancy has plans to widen the parking area. The boulder near the gate may need to be slid over to allow for rescue access. It was determined that maintaining a 6 ft. path would be an ideal standard for rescue access.

3. South West Point access, South West Point Road

The Southwest Point beach access path is cleared nicely and in good condition. There is erosion at the end of the path on the beach. The parking area is very limited. Mr. Tillson noted that the subdivision requires a certain amount of parking for the access and the plan should be reviewed.

4. Cooneymus Beach, Cooneymus Road

Mr. Shea noted that a bike rack will be added in the spring.

5. Dorry's Cove, Dorry's Cove Road

The Dorry's Cove area has a drainage issue that requires regular maintenance from the Highway's Department, which is already regularly addressed. Mr. Shea explained that the old path has been left open as a drainage conduit and a new walking path has been opened up to access the beach. He noted that a bike rack will be added in the spring.

The next site visit date was scheduled for Tuesday, January 27, 2015.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Tillson made a motion to adjourn at 1:18 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Risom and passed unanimously.

Millie McGinnes
Deputy Town Clerk

Minutes approved: May 5, 2015